# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# **FISCAL NOTE**

HB 255 - SB 936

March 17, 2013

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes an employee serving as legal guardian or conservator pursuant to designation by the Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to serve for up to 100 days after the ward leaves the state facility, instead of 90 days.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- Under current law, the Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (MHSAS) is required to designate an employee of MHSAS whom courts may appoint as legal guardian or conservator for a service recipient in a state facility if the court determines that no other person or legally qualified organization will serve for the service recipient and that the appointment is in the best interests of the service recipient.
- According to MHSAS, the fiscal impact of the bill on MHSAS will be not significant.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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